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OUTLINES.

The mayor and other city officials of Newport News, Va., are under arrest for bribery and corruption. —— The Emperor of China pleads with the foreign ministers in Pekin to spare the life of Lung Fu Siang, commander in chief of the Chinese armies. —— Large petroleum depot at Baku, Russia, destroyed by fire; many lives lost. —— A large vessel wrecked on the coast of New Foundland. —— Confederate Veterans Association of Savannah passed resolutions against the invitation to President McKinley to attend the re-union at Memphis. —— British government decides to reinforce Kitchener with 30 000 mounted troops. —— Queen Wilhelmina's marriage takes place to day. —— Two employes at the Norfolk navy yard arrested for stealing government property. —— Two negroes charged with murder lynched at Dade, Fla. —— New York markets: Money on call steadier at 2@3 per cent.; last loan being at 2 per cent.; cotton dull; middling uplands 9½c; flour quiet and weak; wheat—spot easy, No. 2 red 80½c f. o. b. afloat; corn—spot easy, No. 2 48c at elevator and 46c f. o. b. afloat; oats—spot dull, No. 2 30½c; rosin quiet—strained common to good $1.65; spirits turpentine dull at 40@40½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 6.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 30 degrees; 8 P. M., 41 degrees; maximum, 47 degrees; minimum, 29 degrees; mean, 38 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 0; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .71 inch.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—For North Carolina—Increasing cloudiness and rain Thursday, with warmer in eastern portions. Friday probably rain; fresh northeasterly winds.

Port Almanac---February 7.

Sun Rises	6 57 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.32 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 35 M.
High Water at Southport	9 41 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	10.11 P. M.

The cigarette figured in a divorce case in Oskosh, Wisconsin, last week, when a woman sued for divorce on the ground that her husband was a persistent and incorrigible cigarette smoker. The judge considered this sufficient and granted the divorce.

Prof. Slaby, of Berlin, claims to have invented a contrivance by which hundreds, or even thousands, of messages may be sent simultaneously over ocean cables. If so, why not over land, too? This man seems to be getting in ahead of our Nikola Tesla.

A contemporary asks, "Does it pay to be rich?" That depends upon the use that is made of riches. If a fellow is going to run his breath out pursuing riches, live hard and shut his eyes to the nice and good things of this world, he had better be poor and have some enjoyment.

Frank James, the reformed bandit, who was a candidate for door keeper of the Missouri Legislature and was defeated, thinks the people of that State are ungrateful, and are not showing much disposition to encourage reform. May be the solons were afraid that he was not sufficiently reformed.

The present indications are that the British people will find Edward the 7th a pretty expensive figure head. He already wants an allowance of $3,000,000 a year, in addition to which Parliament will be asked to pay the $10,000,000 of debts he contracted while sloshing around as Prince of Wales.

It is announced "on the highest authority" that Hon. David B. Hill will not be a candidate for the Democratic Presidential nomination next time. We have no doubt, however, that with reasonable prospects of election it wouldn't require a double-barrel shotgun to persuade David B. to change his mind.

According to the eggologist of the N. C. experiment station if you are after the number, and are not particular as to the flavor of the eggs your hens lay, feed them wheat shorts, cotton-seed meal and skimmilk, but if you want a *nice* flavor, with fewer but larger eggs, feed them on cracked corn and corn dough.

Bound Over for Stealing.

Wm. Robeson, colored, was bound over to Criminal Court under a $100 bond by the Mayor yesterday morning for stealing a bolt of silk goods from J. A. Rehder & Co's store. Martha Moss was bound over under a $50 bond in the same court for stealing $36 from another negro last November. Both parties were committed to jail in default of bond.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

— Some Western paper suggests that the Kansas saloon-smasher have her name changed to Helen D. Nation.

— The British steamship *Peturis*, 1,093 tons, Capt. Evans, cleared Pomaron, Italy, February 4th, for Wilmington.

— The adjourned annual meeting of stockholders of the Carolina Central Railroad Company is appointed to be held here to day.

— The regular monthly meeting of the Dorcas Society will be held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, in the Lutheran Memorial Building.

— News has been received by Dr. Wright Hall of the death of his sister-in-law, Mrs. George Hall, which occurred at her home near Clinton this week. The funeral was held yesterday.

— Rev. Geo. H. Cox, of Organ Church, Rowan county, N. C., is in the city, the guest of Rev. G. D. Bernheim. He will preach next Sunday morning in St. Matthew's Lutheran Church.

— Friends in the city will sympathize with Rev. A. P. Tyer, formerly of Wilmington but now of Durham, in the death of his sister, Mrs. Eliza Jackson, which occurred at her home in Greensboro on last Sunday.

— It is said in Washington that Claude Bernard will not be re-appointed District Attorney for the Eastern District of this State, though he has been at the Capitol several days in the interest of his re-appointment. Ex-Governor Russell, it is said, has been mentioned as a candidate who will have strong backing for the place.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

S. H. MacRae—Bankrupt notice.
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Opera House—Moving Picture Co.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wil. Gas Light Co.—Is it right?

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Eliza Bellamy left last night for Washington.

— Mrs. Harry Boatwright, of Portsmouth, is visiting relatives here.

— Mrs. C. M. Butler has returned home after a pleasant visit to Roanoke.

— Mr. F. Dickinson, of Charlotte, was an Orton arrival yesterday.

— Mrs. Preston L. Bridgers and children arrived home last night from Raleigh.

— Miss Mary Borden returned home yesterday, after a delightful visit to Rockingham.

— Mrs. J. H. Gall, of Weldon, and Miss Belle Mann, of Richmond, arrived last evening to visit Mrs. W. A. Riach.

— Mrs. A. H. Gerhardt, of Baltimore, is the guest of her sisters, Mrs. G. W. Linder and Mrs. F. Meier, of this city.

— Mrs. J. H. Land, Jr., of Chadbourn, was in the city yesterday returning from a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs Seymour Johnson, at Warsaw.

— Miss Octavia Boatwright returned home yesterday from Portsmouth, Va., where she has been for some time, the guest of her brother, Mr. Henry Boatwright.

ANNUAL MEETING LAST NIGHT.

Clarendon Savings & Loan Association in Yearly Session—Directors Elected.

The annual meeting of the Clarendon Savings and Loan Association was held at the office of the association, No. 17 Princess street, last night. The secretary submitted his report, which showed the affairs of the association in a very flourishing condition.

The following gentlemen were elected to serve as directors for the ensuing year: W. S. Johnson, D. C. Love, J. L. Jordan, B. F. Keith, T. H. Wright, F. E. Hashagen, Charles Schnibben, Walker Taylor, J. H. Gore, Jr., R. H. Pickett and S. P. Collier.

The directors will meet later for the election of officers.

Property Transfers.

The following transfers of realty were recorded at the Court House yesterday:

Adrian V. Howe and wife to Henry Hill and wife, property on Queen street between Third and Fourth; consideration, $143 86.

Sallie B. Maffitt to Stephen Sneeden, fifteen acres of land on Bradley's creek, in Harnett township; consideration, $230.25.

Masonic Reception To-Night.

All arrangements have been perfected for the reception in the Masonic Temple to-night by the Masonic fraternity to the ladies who lent their assistance in the Masonic Bazaar of 1899 and the chrysanthemum show of last Fall. An elaborate programme, which has already appeared in these columns, will be observed, and an evening memorable for its pleasures is in store for those who attend.

Appointed Private Secretary.

The STAR learns that Mr. J. Hargrove Taylor has been appointed private secretary to Congressman John D. Bellamy. Mr. Taylor was formerly a clerk in the auditor's office of the Atlantic Coast Line.

SEAMEN'S FRIENDS.

Forty-eighth Annual Meeting of the Society at Wilmington Tuesday Afternoon.

ALL REPORTS ENCOURAGING.

Work Has Been Most Satisfactory by Officials and Committees—Election of Officers by Board of Trustees for Ensuing Year.

The forty-eighth annual meeting of the Seamen's Friend Society, of Wilmington, was held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the reading room of the sailor's home, Front and Dock streets.

The meeting was taken up almost exclusively in the hearing of yearly reports and the election of officers for the ensuing year. The proceedings were opened with prayer by the Rev. Dr. James Carmichael, Capt. James I. Metts having acted as chairman and Col. W. J. Woodward, secretary.

The report of Capt. Metts, the president, pays a merited tribute to the memory of the late Col. Roger Moore, vice president, and Capt. John Cowan, member of the Board of Trustees, who have passed over the river and now rest from their labors. The current expenses of the year are shown to have been met and a balance on hand is left to commence the new fiscal year. The generous donation of $400 from the parent society in New York, through its treasurer, Mr. W. C. Sturges, is gratefully acknowledged and is shown to have enabled the society to have had services every Sunday. The report states that it is necessary, in order to preserve the Bethel building, that some extensive repairs be made.

The report of Col. W. J. Woodward, treasurer, duly approved by the auditing committee, which takes occasion to compliment Col. Woodward for the neat and orderly manner in which the book is kept, shows that there was a balance on hand February 5th, 1901, of $134.54, which with receipts of annual dues $82, American Seamen's Friend Society $400, rents $1,133.24 and interest $340, makes a total of $1,733 18. The expenditures were as follows: Chaplain, $35; various ministers, $180; organist and soprano, $104; incidentals, $15.59; librarian, $360; lights and fuel, $39 80; papers, periodicals, etc., $33 95; insurance, $107; repairs and improvements to building, $49.85; shipwrecked and distressed sailors, $13.72; sundry expenses, $42.40. Total, $1,031.31. This leaves a balance to the new fiscal year of $721.78.

The report of Mr. H. G. Christoffersen, librarian, shows that during the year the visitors to the reading rooms and attendants upon divine services numbered 8,902 seamen and 649 citizens. For the same period last year the number was 7,743 sailors and 613 citizens.

The report of the committee on Public Worship, composed of Col. W. J. Woodward, Capt James I. Metts and Mr. James McDougall, shows that services have been held at the Bethel every Sunday afternoon during the year. A tribute is paid to the faithful service of Rev. M. A. Barber, the regular chaplain, until October, 1900, when he resigned on account of his removal to Texas. Since his resignation services have been held by ministers of the various denominations, for which kindness the committee expresses profound gratefulness. The organist, Miss Anna Sprunt, and soprano, Miss Carrie White, have by their regular attendance, deep interest and rendering of appropriate music made our services pleasing and interesting, and deserve the thanks of the Society.

Mr. James W. Price and Mr. James Sprunt, composing the committee on Reading Room, report an increased number of visitors, especially of the sailors of foreign ships, who have generally availed themselves of its privileges and appreciated the same, inasmuch as they have remained by invitation to the Sunday afternoon services regularly held in the room. The committee recommends that, while the holding of the usual services there, temporarily, has been in every respect quite satisfactory, and has served to make the Sunday services less formal, that the second story of the old Bethel, which was formerly used as a hospital ward, and which is now used in emergencies for beds, be properly prepared and used for Bethel services.

Capt. James I. Metts and Mr. James Sprunt, composing the committee on Rental and Repairs, stated that the two stores in the building had been rented for $480 per year each, and that the home had been let to Mr. Christoffersen for $360. The Mt. Tirzah property has not been rented or leased. The repairs to all property during the past year amounted to $49 85.

All the reports upon motion of Mr. James Sprunt were adopted and ordered on file.

The following named gentlemen were nominated and, upon motion of Mr. James Price, unanimously elected as trustees to serve the ensuing year: Messrs. James Sprunt, James I. Metts, W. J. Woodward, R. W. Hicks, Rev. A. D. McClure, T. E. Sprunt, James McDougall, N. Jacobi, James Price, W. B. Cooper, Rev. Dr. J. Carmichael, Edgar D. Williams, J. Hal Boatwright Walter G. MacRae and D. L. Gore.

The thanks of the Society were tendered the American Seamen's Friend Society, of New York, the local newspapers and the officers and committeemen.

Meeting of Board of Trustees.

The board of trustees met immediately upon the adjournment of the meeting of the Society, with Rev Dr. J. Carmichael in the chair and Col. W. J. Woodward, secretary. The following officers were elected:

President—Mr. James Sprunt.
Vice President—Capt. Jas. I. Metts.
Secretary and Treasurer—Col. W. J. Woodward.

Rev. A. D. McClure, Capt. Walter G. MacRae and Mr. D. L. Gore were elected to constitute the executive committee, with the president, vice president and secretary, and the following committees were named:

Rentals and Repairs—Capt. James I. Metts, Mr. T. E. Sprunt and Capt. Walter G. MacRae.

Public Worship—Col. W. J. Woodward, Capt. James I. Metts and Capt. James McDougall.

Reading Room and Home—Mr. Jas. Price, Mr. James Sprunt and Capt. Edgar Williams.

Auditing—Mr. N. Jacobi and Capt. James McDougall.

An appropriation of $450 was made to the reading room committee to pay salary of librarian and janitor and incidental expenses. An appropriation of $300 was made for improvement of the Home. The pay of organist and soprano was ordered made $5.00 each per month. Mr. Henry G. Christoffersen's appointment as librarian was confirmed. The nomination of Miss Anna Sprunt as organist and Miss Carrie White as soprano was also approved.

The secretary was directed to push the claim against the government and as early as practicable to visit Washington in furtherance of the same.

VALUABLE SERVICES RECALLED.

Loss of Workers in Seamen's Friends Society Cause for Regret.

At the annual meeting of the Seamen's Friend Society, held at the Seamen's Home on the 5th inst., appropriate remarks were made with reference to the removal from Wilmington of two friends of the work whose places had not been filled, viz., Rev. Dr. Robert Strange and Rev. Milton A. Barber. Several members recalled the fact that when the society was without pecuniary means and when the organization was little more than a name, Dr. Strange united cordially with them in the reorganization and support of the good work which has gone forward steadily ever since.

The loss of Col. Roger Moore and Capt. John Cowan, by death, and of the two clergymen named, by removal, it is still deeply felt and it is hoped that the new members of the Board of Trustees will enter heartily into the work which has been so signally blessed in recent years.

THE REV. J. M. WELLS, PH. D.

Has Bade Staunton Congregation Good-bye Preparatory to Coming Here.

The Staunton, Va., correspondent of the Richmond *Dispatch* said yesterday in that paper:

"The Rev. J. M. Wells, having resigned the pastorate of the Second Presbyterian church to go to Wilmington, N. C., has bidden the Staunton church good-bye. With his family Mr. Wells is now in Buena Vista, en route to Jackson, Miss., to visit his aged parents before assuming charge at Wilmington. During Mr. Wells' stay here there were 150 additions to the Second church in his four and a half years' pastorate. Until a pastor can be had the temporary vacancy at the Second church will be filled by the Rev. William L. Bailey, of Afton. Elders T. C. Morton, S. Brown Allen, B. A. Hughes, Deacons Allen M. Howison, Frank T. Hoit, J. W. Loregrove, and Messrs. Marshall Fultz, Newton Argenbright and R. L. Floyd, from the congregation at large, are a special committee to secure a pastor to succeed Mr. Wells."

Funeral Yesterday Morning.

The remains of little Margaret Josie Kelly, the three-year old daughter of Mr. M. H. Kelly, arrived yesterday morning on the A. C. L. train from Rocky Mount, accompanied by the grief stricken father, who went up Tuesday evening to Rocky Mount, and his brother-in law, Mr. W. J. Tracey at whose home the little girl passed peacefully away Tuesday morning. The funeral services were held from the station by Rev. Father Marion and the remains tenderly borne to Oakdale cemetery, where they were laid to rest beside the grave of the child's sainted mother, who died a short time ago. The pallbearers were Masters George Bowdoin, Johnnie Rowan, James Bergen and Leo Lacy.

Death of Mrs. E. C. Fowler.

Mrs. Elizabeth C. Fowler, relict of the late Nathaniel R. Fowler, of this city, died Tuesday night at 9 o'clock at the residence of her step-son, Mr. P. R. Fowler, on Masonboro Sound, at the advanced age of 83 years. Mrs. Fowler leaves no children but ex-Mayor John J. Fowler, of Wilmington, Mr. P. R. Fowler, of Masonboro, and Mrs. J. D. Bell, of Rocky Point, are step children. The bereaved friends and relatives have the sympathy of many friends in their sorrow. The funeral will take place at 3 o'clock this afternoon from the late residence of the deceased, No. 415 South Front street, and the interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

On Inspection Tour.

Messrs. E. D. Hotchkiss, general agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad; Thornton Lewis, manager of the Kanawha Dispatch, and Robert L. French, general agent of the Kanawha Dispatch, arrived yesterday morning in a handsome Chesapeake and Ohio private car attached to A. C. L. train No. 41, which arrived at 9:20 o'clock. A member of the party stated that they were here for no special business, but stopped for a day or two while making an inspection tour of the two Carolinas. The party will go south to-night.

THE SEATING OF MR. SIMMONS

Ex-Mayor Fishblate Gathered Impressions in Washington Favorable to the Democratic Senator.

Ex-Mayor S. H. Fishblate, who returned yesterday from New York via Washington, and who stopped over at the Capitol for a short while to feel the "pulse of the nation," so to speak, said last night in an interview with a representative of this paper that he was satisfied that the seating of Hon. F. M. Simmons in the next U. S. Senate would not be opposed by Pritchard, as currently reported and believed in the State for several days past.

Mr. Fishblate took occasion while in Washington to interview a number of leading men both in the House and Senate and was thus enabled to pretty accurately determine the sentiment there touching the unreasonable move of the Republicans, prompted and instigated by Butler, who fortunately will retire in March and who will therefore not have an opportunity to register his protest.

Mr. Fishblate had a talk with Mr. Pritchard while at the capitol and gives it as his opinion that the Senator will arraign the manner in which the election was held in the State, but will not hold Mr. Simmons responsible for the conditions or oppose his seating.

HELD CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.

Annual Reports of Officers of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Last Night.

The annual congregational meeting of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church was held last night in the lecture room. The several reports from the Sunday School, Board of Deacons, the session and the pastor, Rev. A. D. McClure, were all very gratifying and showed every department of the church to be in a better condition than ever before.

The treasurer's report was made and showed the following splendid financial condition which the church has enjoyed during the year just closed: The amount raised during the past year by the congregation was $7,023.07. Of which amount $5,325.37 was raised by the congregation and $301 72 by the Sunday School; the societies contributed $475 and miscellaneous contributions were $920. All obligations for the year were met.

The report of Mr. W. C. VonGlahn, secretary and treasurer of the Sunday school, was made. It showed 5 officers, 23 teachers and 200 scholars enrolled. The average attendance for the year was 154.

Rev. A. D. McClure, the beloved pastor, reviewed his work during the year, and it showed the good resulting from his labors and the co-operation of the entire congregation. He said 21 additions were made to the church during the year, and also, that out of the 280 resident members, 236 contribute regularly to the support of the church.

The meeting was closed with a fervent prayer by Mr. W. H. Sprunt.

WILL NOT REPORT THE CASE.

Committee Has Decided Unanimously Not to Report on Dockery Contest.

The STAR learns authoritatively that Election Committee No. 2, before which the Dockery-Bellamy election contest was heard, has decided unanimously not to make any report on the case. This action leaves Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy in undisturbed possession of his seat in Congress from this district and vindicates the position that he took in his brief before the committee at the hearing. A Washington correspondent says the fact that Dockery did not at any time allege that he (Dockery) was elected had much weight with the committee in reaching a unanimous conclusion.

The news of this disposition of the contest will be received with the utmost satisfaction by the numerous friends of Mr. Bellamy, not only in Wilmington but over the entire district. Of course Dockery will not get the usual $2,000 usually allowed defeated candidates to make the contest.

L'AGILE COTILLON CLUB

Gave Its February German Last Night in the Masonic Temple Ball Room.

The following couples participated in the german given last night in the Masonic Temple by L'Agile Cotillon Club:

Miss Webber, Mr. J. McRee Hatch; Miss Marie Peschau, Mr. R. H. Gwaltney; Miss Elizabeth Payne, Mr. W. C. Crow; Miss Bryan, of Tarboro, Mr. Will Moore; Miss Ida Brown, Mr. H. G. Smallbones, Jr.; Miss Lucile Murchison, Mr. H. M. Chase; Miss Nessie Cochett, Mr. Jas. Cotchett; Miss Olive Armstrong, Mr. John Peschau; Miss Randolph, Mr. M. C. Elliott; Miss Octavia Boatwright, Mr. E. A. Metts; Miss Mary Calder, Mr. George Crow; Miss Burton, of Durham, O. A. Wiggins; Miss Sue McQueen, Mr. Wm. J. Bellamy; Miss Rena Johnson, Mr. Fred Bolles; Miss Jeanie Peck, Mr. George P. James; Miss Mildred Davis, Mr. Oscar Peck; Miss Lucy Latham, Mr. Nash DeRosset; Miss Emma West, Mr. Robert Nash; Miss Nora Angel, Mr. J. C. Angel; Miss Sarah Kenan, Mr. C. McD. Davis.

Ladies' Night at the Opera House.

The management of the Dunn Picture Machine Company have decided to admit ladies free with every person holding a 30c ticket at the Opera House to-night. The celebrated Boer war pictures, taken at great risk by the company's representatives, are creating a good deal of interest and on the whole this company gives the clearest and best performance of its kind of any company that ever visited Wilmington.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Aycock's Text Book Bill Passed Both Houses and Is Ready for Ratification.

TO REDISTRICT THE STATE.

The Old Court House in Wilmington. Morton's Substitute for Rountree's Bill Empowering the Commissioners to Sell Property

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., February 6.—The bill allowing the commissioners of New Hanover county to levy a special tax for and appropriate to the Wilmington Light Infantry and the Wilmington Division Naval Reserves, the sum of $500 each annually, has now passed all its readings in both branches of the General Assembly, and is ready for ratification.

There is another bill, however, of great interest to the Naval Reserves, which is not having such smooth sailing, but which it is hoped by Senator Morton will get through all right. It is a substitute bill by Senator Morton for a bill by Mr. Rountree, which has already passed its readings in the House. The original, by Mr. Rountree, empowered the county commissioners to sell the old court house and the adjacent corner lot, Princess and Third streets. When the bill came over to the Senate Capt. Morton "held it up," and offered a substitute which has for its object a provision by which the old court house may be retained as an armory for the Naval Reserves.

It is understood that the Odd Fellows want the property, especially the vacant corner lot, for the purpose of erecting a new temple thereon. So Senator Morton's substitute is to empower the commissioners to sell the vacant lot. But provides, that in case a petition asking that the old court house building be presented to the Naval Reserves during the life of the division is signed by a majority of the property owners of the county within three months after the ratification of the act, the commissioners cannot sell that part of the property.

The act is, Mr. Morton says, so drafted that the disposition of the old court house only amounts to a loan of the building to the Reserves, as the title must revert to the county if the division should at any time be disbanded for as much as ninety days.

The substitute is now in the hands of a Senate committee, before whom Mr. Rountree is expected to appear in the interest of the House bill this afternoon or to-morrow.

To Redistrict the State.

Senator Arrington's bill to redistrict the State as to Congressional representation introduced yesterday provides for ten districts, two of which would probably be Republican. It apportions the counties so that New Hanover would be in the third. The districts are by the bill to be constituted as follows:

1st. Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Carteret, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Northampton, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell and Washington.

2nd. Edgecombe, Greene, Halifax, Lenoir, Martin, Pitt, Wayne and Wilson.

3rd. Brunswick, Bladen, Columbus, Craven, Duplin, Jones, New Hanover, Onslow, Pender and Sampson.

4th. Franklin, Granville, Johnston, Nash, Vance, Wake and Warren.

5th. Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Durham, Guilford, Orange, Person and Rockingham.

6th. Anson, Cumberland, Harnett, Montgomery, Moore, Randolph, Richmond, Robeson and Scotland.

7th. Alexander, Catawba, Burke, Caldwell, Cleveland, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln and Rutherford.

10th. Buncombe, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, McDowell, Madison, Polk, Swain, Macon and Transylvania.

Judge Purnell has granted final discharge in bankruptcy to H. L. Fennell of Wilmington.

The State Board of Education has postponed the election of a State Engineer of Swamp Land. Capt. Joe H. McRee, of Wilmington, is the only candidate announced, but it is understood that there will be one or two other candidates, J. C. Ellington, former State librarian among the number. The office pays $1,000 and requires very little time.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Aycock's Text Book Bill Passed.

Aycock's text book bill passed its final reading in the House to day, and is now ready for ratification. No amendments were adopted in the House or Senate. It came up as the special order at 11 o'clock. There was nearly three hours discussion. The principal fight was for exemption of various graded schools. Mr. Rountree was the principal speaker against all the amendments. He said Wilmington has one of the finest, best managed graded school systems in the State, but he wants the Aycock law to apply there, just as elsewhere. The amendment exempting Statesville and requiring old text books to be exchanged for full value was voted. As soon as the bill passed, new bills were introduced, that schools in Asheville, Statesville, Charlotte, Kinston, Salisbury and Hot Springs be exempted from operation of the law. These were referred to the Education Committee. The general impression is that all will receive unfavorable reports and fail to pass. The bill passed to extend the time for registration of land grants three years from January, 1901.

The bill to pay State prison guards $30 instead of $15 per month was under discussion when the special order, the Aycock bill, was called up. No action was taken.

Other bills introduced: By McLean, to appoint a cotton weighe at Laurinburg. By Nicholson, to allow Beaufort county to levy a special tax. By Nash, to provide water works for Elizabeth City. By Speaker Moore, to apportion congressional districts.

In the Senate the following bills passed second reading: To amend the charter of Smithfield; to prevent stock running at large in Robeson county.

Bills passed final reading: To authorize Brunswick county to levy a special tax; to allow Wilson county to issue bonds; to incorporate Parkton, Robeson county; to authorize Scotland county to issue bonds; to incorporate Washington; to give the Governor power to appoint directors to the Blind Institute; to authorize sheriffs of counties to adjourn court in the absence of the judge to any day of the term, or from day to day during the term until the judge comes; to extend the time to compromise and settle the State debt to 1903; to protect cutters of mill logs in Hyde, Onslow and Pamlico counties.

Bills were introduced: By Long, to provide State banks of issue. By Morton, to protect merchant millers in North Carolina. By Forshee, to transfer a section of Wake to Durham county. By McIntosh, to prevent imposition on clients by attorneys.

The House and Senate were invited to a reception by Governor and Mrs. Aycock, at the mansion Friday night.

Committee Meetings.

A meeting of the Committee on Propositions and Grievances was held this afternoon to consider bills to regulate hours of labor and employment of children in cotton mills. It resulted in an agreement with cotton mill operators, who had representatives present, that all legislation on the subject be suspended and mill men adopt an iron-clad rule, with all mills a party thereto, that sixty-six hours constitute a week's work and no child under 12 years be employed. The agreement will be drawn and signed within two weeks.

The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections decided this afternoon to report in favor of Stringfield (Democrat), the sitting member, in the contest by Stamey, (Republican) from the 33rd district.

A joint committee on congressional districts met to night to map out a plan of operation, and decided to meet February thirteenth at 3 P. M. to hear argument on all bills already or yet to be introduced for redistricting the State; thereafter to go into executive session to consider bills and draft recommendations or a substitute bill, as deemed best.

DIED.

FOWLER—At Masonboro Sound, February 5, 1901, ELIZABETH C. FOWLER, relict of the late Nathaniel R. Fowler, in the 83rd year of her age.

Funeral Thursday, February 7, at 3 o'clock P. M., from her former residence, 415 South Front street; thence to Oakdale Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Opera House
—TO-NIGHT—
"Farmer" Dunn's Moving Picture Co.
CHANGE OF PROGRAMME INCLUDING THE
BOER WAR, ETC.
Prices.....10, 20, 30 cents.
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Eastern District of North Carolina. In the matter of L. K. Adley, bankrupt. In Bankruptcy. To the Honorable Thomas R. Purnell, Judge of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina: L. K. Adley, of Fayetteville, in the county of Cumberland, and State of North Carolina, in said district, respectfully represents that on the 3rd day of January, last past, he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the Acts of Congress relating to bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said Acts and of the orders of the Court touching his bankruptcy. Wherefore, he prays that he may be decreed by the Court to have a full discharge from all debts provable against his estate under said Bankrupt Acts, except such debts as are excepted by law from such discharge.

Dated this 4th day of February, A. D. 1901.
L. K. ADLEY, Bankrupt.

ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON.

Eastern District of North Carolina, ss: On this 4th day of February, A. D. 1901, on reading the foregoing petition, it is ordered by the Court that a hearing be had upon the same on the 18th day of February, A. D. 1901, before the said Court, at the office of the undersigned referee, in Fayetteville, N. C., in the said district, at 12 o'clock noon; and that notice thereof be published in THE MORNING STAR a newspaper printed in the said district, and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand at Fayetteville, in the said district on the 4th day of February, A. D. 1901.
SAMUEL H. MACRAE,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
feb 7 1t

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Eastern District of North Carolina. In the matter of Alex. McN. Page, Jesse W. Page and David Page, partners, under the firm name of Alex. Page & Bro., bankrupts. In bankruptcy. To the Honorable Thomas R. Purnell, Judge of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina: Alex N. Page, Jesse W. Page and David Page, partners under the firm name of Alex. Page & Bro., of Hoffman, in the county of Richmond, and State of North Carolina, in said district, respectfully represent that on the 23rd day of December, last past, the said partnership was duly adjudged bankrupt under the Acts of Congress relating to bankruptcy; that it has duly surrendered all its property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said Acts and of the orders of the Court touching its bankruptcy. Wherefore it prays that it may be decreed by the Court to have a full discharge from all debts provable against its estate under said Bankrupt Acts, except such debts as are excepted by law from such discharge.

Dated this 23rd day of January, A. D. 1901.
ALEX. PAGE & BRO.
Alex. McN. Page, Jesse W. Page, David A. Page, Bankrupts.

ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON.

Eastern District of North Carolina, ss.: On this 4th day of February, A. D. 1901, on reading the foregoing petition, it is ordered by the Court that a hearing be had upon the same on the 18th day of February, A. D. 1901, before the said Court, at the office of the undersigned referee in Fayetteville, N. C., in the said district, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon; and that notice thereof be published in THE MORNING STAR, a newspaper printed in the said district, and that all known creditors, and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand at Fayetteville, in the said district, on the 4th day of February, A. D. 1901.
SAMUEL H. MACRAE,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
feb 7 1t

Press Boy Wanted.

* * * A boy who has had some
* * * experience in running Job
* * * Presses, and who must be
* * * a resident of Wilmington,
* * * is wanted at the

STAR OFFICE.
jan 26 tf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A Change in Business.

I wish to inform my friends and the public generally that I have bought the entire business of THE KING GROCERY CO., and will continue it on the same principle that has always characterized its policy.
SPOT CASH.
NO TIME.
NO DISCOUNT.
NO CREDIT.
Everything must be exactly as represented or money refunded. We thank you very much for your liberal patronage to the old firm in the past, and hope by fair dealing, courteous treatment and prompt service to merit a continuance of your support.

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SUCCESSOR TO
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Fourth Street Bridge.
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we are selling only full weight sacks of Seed Potatoes—eleven pecks (not ten)—and only the very best Eastern Maine Seed, not Western stock. You will try our seed if you see quality and get prices. Seed Oats, N. C. Rust Proof. Meal. Corn. Hay. Lime. Cement. Nails. Lowest cash prices.

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Grain Shippers and General Provision Dealers.
Get our prices on
Grain, Oats, Hay,
In car lots or less.
Our facilities are unsurpassed and we guarantee satisfaction.
We solicit your favors.
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in Fancy Clocks and Silver Novelties Will sell at very close profits. Call and examine my line of goods and get my prices, and suit yourself as to where you buy. Notice the Show Windows.

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WHEN YOU CAN GET JUST AS FINE A SUIT
For $150.00 from
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During this week I will distribute a neat placard on which is printed the location of Fire Alarms, Engine Houses and their Telephone Connections, together with other interesting matter. Look for them and in the mean while keep your eyes on my Window Bargains.

N. F. PARKER,
Furniture and Furniture Novelties,
Bell 'Phone 618. 111 Market street, Inter-State 68.
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NOTICE.

I hereby notify all persons that under and by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of the county of New Hanover in the State of North Carolina, made pursuant to the statutes, I have changed my name from Ludvig Hansen to Louis Hanson, and from henceforth will be known and called Louis Hanson. Dated February 6th, 1901.
L. HANSON.
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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 7.

THE LEADING TEXTILE STATES

The textile industries are growing right along in this country, both in the North and in the South, notwithstanding the fact that the general impression is that the rapid increase of cotton mills in the South had acted as a damper on the cotton manufacturing industry in other sections. This it doubtless has to some extent, so far as the building of mills is concerned, but the figures show a healthy progress, and that there is room enough for all the mills we now have in the country and for more. As we in this section are interested not only in what we are doing ourselves, but also in what others, who are to some extent our competitors and may become more so, are doing, we reproduce the following interesting facts and figures from the Boston *Commercial Bulletin*, one of the leading representatives of the textile industries of the North. It gives a great deal of information in small space considering the amount of information given:

"The textile census taken every two years by Dockham's Textile Directory has just been issued for 1901, and presents some most interesting statistics of the comparative growth of the States as textile centers.

"The year covered is 1900, and it appears that since 1898 the cotton spindles in the country have increased from 19,410,554 to 22,152,926, that wool cards have decreased from 8,212 to 8,141 and that worsted combs have increased from 1,373 to 1,451.

"Cotton looms have increased from 433,281 to 509,183, woolen looms from 79,059 to 82,351, silk looms from 38,199 to 43,490.

"Massachusetts still heads the cotton spinning industry with 8,230,130 spindles to her credit, Rhode Island coming second with 274,272 spindles, and South Carolina a close third with 2,128,782.

"There are a million more cotton spindles in Massachusetts alone than there are in the whole United States south of the Potomac and Ohio rivers.

"South Carolina has made the most remarkable gain in cotton spindles, 868,246, having nearly doubled her plant in two years. North Carolina shows the next largest gain, with 493,781 to her credit; Massachusetts is third, with 322,742, and Georgia fourth, with 315,471.

"The most marked change in textiles is in the position of certain New England States as compared with certain Southern States. It is as follows:

	Cotton Spindles.	
	1898.	1900.
Maine	968,208	868,050
New Hampshire	1,323,378	1,340,390
Rhode Island	2,132,350	2,274,272
Connecticut	1,059,244	1,129,324
North Carolina	1,029,934	1,523,705
South Carolina	1,260,536	2,128,782
Georgia	799,977	1,115,448

Two years ago New Hampshire spun more cotton than any Southern State. Now she is surpassed by two. Connecticut has been beaten by both the Carolinas with Georgia close on her heels, and Maine is not only passed but going backwards. South Carolina seems sure of second place in the Union before another two years elapse.

"Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Missouri, Ohio and Pennsylvania are all spinning less cotton. Pennsylvania showing sharpest decline with a loss of 61,464 spindles, about a seventh of her plant.

"The wool cards in the United States have decreased in two years from 8,212 to 8,141. The worsted combs, however, have increased from 1,373 to 1,451. The enormous capacity of the comb as compared to the card leaves a handsome net increase in wool consuming machinery.

"Massachusetts leads as a wool carder with 1,747 cards, though she has lost 104 in two years. New York is second with 1,452 and Pennsylvania third with 1,361. Pennsylvania is one of the few States with more cards than two years ago.

"Massachusetts ranks all other States as a comber of worsted. She has 439 combs, a gain of 27. Pennsylvania is second with 380 combs, a gain of 28. Very few States have lost in combs. New Hampshire has, however, dropped from 37 to 29 in two years.

"It will be seen that Massachusetts is almost as far in the lead as a spinner of wool as she is a spinner of cotton. The State, however, that has shown the most marked increase in the last two years is not Massachusetts but Pennsylvania.

"As a weaving State Massachusetts leads the Union with a total of 212,861 looms. Far behind is the second State, South Carolina, with 57,060 looms.

"In cotton weaving the first three States, with their respective looms, are Massachusetts (190,865), South Carolina (57,020), Rhode Island (39,932) The heaviest increase in the two years has been in South Carolina (18,727 looms); the next, North Carolina (9,552 looms); the next, Massachusetts (8,672 looms, the next, Georgia, (8,640 looms).

"In the weaving of wool Massachusetts stands first with 20,901 looms, Pennsylvania second with 20,272 looms. The rest are far behind, Rhode Island, the third, having but 9,465 looms.

"The States that show the most marked increase in wool weaving machinery in two years with the measure of their increase are as follows: Pennsylvania (1,159 looms), Rhode Island (836 looms), New Jersey (644 looms), Massachusetts (383) looms.

"New Jersey almost monopolizes silk weaving, heading the list with 22,285 looms, Pennsylvania is second with 13,403. New York third with 4,560 and Massachusetts fourth with 1,095.

"Pennsylvania has gained in two years 2,567 silk looms, New Jersey 1,321, Massachusetts 252 and New York 247.

"The gain is most gratifying for the country in all three of the great textile industries, and Massachusetts has no reason to be ashamed of her share in it. The Bay State is first in spinning and weaving cotton, first in spinning and weaving wool, and she has even increased a once narrow lead over Connecticut as a weaver of silk."

In addition to the information given this statement shows how while the milling centers of the North are doing fairly well and are a little more than holding their own, the leading cotton manufacturing States of the South are making rapid progress, and promise to soon catch up with the leading States in the North. South Carolina in spindles now leads all the Northern States save Massachusetts and Rhode Island, which she has nearly overtaken and will soon leave behind. North Carolina leads all the New England States save Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The mill building progresses in the South, and the Southern milling States steadily move on towards the front.

A gratifying feature of this progress is that it is not confined to cotton, but embraces wool and silk, both of which, especially the former, ought to be great industries. There is nothing surprising in the growth of the woollen industry. The surprising thing is that it has not grown more rapidly, but the growth of the silk manufacturing industry is somewhat of a revelation, especially as the raw silk is nearly all imported, very little, if any, being produced in this country.

It is a noteworthy fact that the second silk manufacturing State is Pennsylvania, the great iron manufacturing State. There is little relation between iron and silk. They are about as far apart as things could well be and therefore it is somewhat remarkable to see silk manufacturing introduced and taking the place of the iron manufacturing plants in counties where not many years ago iron-making was the leading and about the only manufacturing industry. And this is suggestive of the law which does and will continue to control the manufacturing industries. Owing to various causes, such as the cost of the raw material, transportation, &c., the iron manufacturing industry, which at one time was profitable, ceased to be profitable and the plants were converted into silk milks, the lesson from which is that manufacturers, especially those handling heavy material, must get as near as possible to the base of supplies. Silk will on account of its value and comparative small bulk and weight stand transportation long distances, cotton less and iron still less.

Does not the increase in the number of silk mills and woollen mills suggest that such mills may eventually take the place of cotton mills if the constantly increasing number in the South should materially reduce the profits of cotton manufacturing in the North? As there is still room for more cotton mills, there is also room for many more woollen and silk mills, for this country ought to be an exporter of woollen goods if not of silk, and it certainly ought to make woollen and silk goods enough to supply the home demand, and no doubt will before many years pass.

But, take it all in all, these figures show that this country as a whole is making gratifying progress in the textile industries, as it is in others.

A WAVE OF INSANITY.

While there is method in her madness, no one doubts that Mrs. Nation, who is waging that "hatchet" war against the saloons in Kansas cities, is demented on that subject. But the malady seems to be contagious, for lots of people have become as crazy as she is, and they follow her and applaud and protect her while she is defying the constituted authorities, and the law and destroying the property of other people. Carried away by her insane zeal and antipathy to the liquor traffic, in which thousands of people who do not approve of her violent methods sympathize with her, she is not to be condemned as much as the civil officers who give her encouragement and support, and make a mockery of the whole thing by "arresting" her after she has done what she started out to do. And the courts add to the mockery by discharging her, or turning her loose with the order to appear at some future time and answer the charges preferred against her, at all of which she laughs in their faces.

Aside from the mockery of law, and municipal authority, the cowardly and disgusting feature of these proceedings is that the men of these Kansas towns who sympathize with and approve of Mrs. Nation's methods, permit a few excitable and easily influenced women, led by this demented woman, to do what it would be more manly in them to do themselves if they think it ought to be done. Putting these women forward on the assumption that they will be safe from attack and bodily injury is cowardly and shameful. This thing may go on until Mrs. Nation runs up against someone who will forget that she is a woman when she may be seriously hurt, and then the encouraging men and municipal authorities will have themselves to blame for it.

English scientists regard Nikola Tesla's signals from Mars as "moonshine." No moonshine about it. Nik is playing a star engagement.

Prevented a Tragedy.

Timely information given Mrs. George Long, of New Straitsville, O., prevented a dreadful tragedy and saved two lives. A frightful cough had long kept her awake every night. She had tried many remedies and doctors, but steadily grew worse until urged to try Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle wholly cured her, and she writes this marvellous medicine also cured Mr. Long of a severe attack of pneumonia. Such cures are positive proof of the matchless merit of this grand remedy for curing all Throat, Chest and Lung Troubles. Only 50 cents and $1. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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WHERE WILL THIS END?

The report that the Morgan syndicate has purchased Mr. Carnegie's interest in the Carnegie Steel Company, seems to come in pretty good shape this time. Mr. Morgan has been working on that scheme for some time. If this reported purchase be true, which it probably is, the question might be asked where will this absorbing process end? The recent purchase for $70,000,000, cash, of the Southern Pacific railroad gives this syndicate control of all the Pacific railways, and consequently control of all transcontinental transportation. It had previously absorbed about 75,000 miles of railway, embracing many of the leading systems in the States east of the Mississippi.

A short while ago it was reported that the Morgan syndicate had secured a controlling interest in the anthracite coal region. This, followed by control of the leading steel plant of the country, gives it control of transportation, coal and steel, and makes it practically master of the productive industries. No body of men in any country ever held such power as this or became such a potent factor in industrial and public affairs, for this power means political power as well, if they choose to exercise it, and of course they will if their interests should become involved. In view of the unprecedented and mighty strides this syndicate is making it might be asked where will this end?

A CURSE TO THE COUNTY.

The Newton *Enterprise* isn't much stuck on the saw mills that have been started in that section of the country, of which there are a good many. In referring to them it says:

"Every mill that goes into our oak forests for the purpose of sending lumber out of the county in its rough state will be a curse to the county. It should be worked into furniture here, and the factories should be put up without delay."

This is eminently sensible, for while the saw mills which cut up and ship in the rough timber suitable for furniture making and other manufacturing uses may bring a little money into the communities in which they are located it is simply a case of killing the goose that lays the golden egg. The few dollars that are paid for the standing timber are ridiculously small compared with the actual value of the trees even when cut up into rough lumber, and is out of all comparison with their value when worked up into furniture or something else for which there is a demand and market. With these trees standing manufactories might be started, but with the forests stripped of them such manufactories become impossible; and that's where the "curse" comes in.

BOOK NOTICES.

The reader of foreign literature will enjoy the February number of *The Eclectic Magazine* which presents a fine selection of articles from the leading European periodicals, covering a wide range of topics. Address The Living Age Company, Boston.

Among other papers the *National Geographic Magazine* for February, presents several interesting ones on China and Japan, and on the Klondike. The siege of Pekin is a very interesting paper. Published by McClure, Phillips & Co., New York.

The directors of the Park National Bank in New York, sympathizing with its president who had to scuffle along on $25,000 a year, gave him a raise of $15,000 a few days ago.

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. Geo. D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Headache, Backache, Fainting and Dizzy Spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly and run down people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, and allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Monroe *Journal*: Mr. Pleasant Simpson, an aged citizen of New Salem township, died Monday night of last week, supposedly of paralysis. He was about seventy years of age.

— Stanly *Enterprise*: Some superstitious darkies of this place thought the cold weather of last week was caused by Queen Victoria's death, and the more timid ones expected to see the dead queen's ghost walking around.

— Troy *Examiner*: Several of the boys in the county have recently been required to give bond for their appearance in the Federal court in Greensboro, in April, charged with intimidating voters. Of course nothing will come of this, except the trouble of going to Greensboro, and the fees for the officers.

— Shelby *Aurora*: Hezekiah Easter, colored, was found dead on the road side Saturday morning with a whiskey jug containing some spirits, and an empty laudanum vial. An inquest was held by Coroner Dr. Lee, and the jury reported that he came to his death by unknown causes. It is presumed he fell by the road side drunk and froze to death.

— Lumberton *Argus*: A curious freak of nature can be seen on Water street near the jail, where the limb of a sycamore tree has fallen into the fork of a tree of another variety, being engrafted into the same, so that the limb of the sycamore is much larger where it projects from the engrafted root than it is where it leaves the mother tree.

— Asheboro *Courier*: Emsley Kennedy shot the four-year-old child of Mic-jah Jones, near Sawyer Mine, on January 26th and it died on the morning of the 29th. The shot is said to have been accidental and was through the body of the child. Another one of the children was also shot through the foot. Information received here is to the effect that Kennedy is a young man 19 years old and was intoxicated and has been much intoxicated of late.

— Pilot Mountain *News*: The sad news comes that Mr. Thomas Davis took his own life, yesterday, at his home five miles above Mt. Airy. As we learn the circumstances, it seems that he and his wife brother had been grinding an ax, immediately after which he went upstairs to his room. The report of the pistol was the first intimation the family had of anything wrong. No one had noticed anything peculiar in his manner, and there is no clue as to the cause of his rash deed.

— Greenville *Reflector*: John Legget, colored, man about 40 years old, who lives half way between Whichard and Keelsville, in the northern portion of the county, went to Stokes Saturday and filled up on whiskey. He went back to his home after dark and is supposed to have started a fire with oil. The house and contents were destroyed and the man burned to death. His wife was away from home when he returned and the pile of ashes and charred body are the only things to tell of the horrible end ing of his life.

MARDI GRAS CELEBRATIONS.

New Orleans, La., Mobile, Ala., and Pensacola, Fla.,

February 14th-19th, 1901.

For these occasions tickets will be sold February 12th to 18th inclusive, from Washington, D. C., and all points on the Seaboard Air Line Railway, at rate of one fare for the round trip, tickets good returning until March 7th, 1901, inclusive. With its new passenger service inaugurated January 27th, the Seaboard Air Line Railway is now operating the finest and fastest trains in the South, and a trip to the Mardi Gras on one of these magnificent trains via any of their many attractive routes will certainly prove the quickest and most enjoyable. See that your tickets read via Seaboard Air Line Railway.

CURRENT COMMENT.

— There are a great many people as desirous as Mrs. Nation to have saloons extinct. But comparatively few think her movement the best to bring about that result. She is gaining notority, but not advancing the cause of temperance, nor elevating the dignity of her sex. A true woman's service in the cause of morality will not take that form.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

— Two tailors of Tooley street once held a "national" meeting and resolved "that we, the people of England——." Thirty-nine gentlemen of twelve American cities, four of the twelve being from the North, met in Brunswick in "national" convention the other day and resolved that "we, the people of the South," indorse the principle of ship subsidies. — *Savannah News, Dem.*

— What sort of "husbands and sons and brothers" were those who accompanied the Anthony, Kansas, women on their saloon-smashing raid and guarded them while they pounded to pieces the property of the saloonist? If this work is commended by those husbands, sons and brothers, why do they not perform it themselves? It would be more manly, to say the least, than to encourage their women in such proceedings? *Louisville Courier-Journal, Dem.*

Sarcastic.

Myer—Have you noticed what a lot of new houses are being put up all over the city?

Gyer—Yes, and I've been wondering why they don't put up a few old ones just for a change.—Chicago News.

In Turkey amber is supposed to be a specific against the evil effects of nicotine, and as the people are great lovers of tobacco they freely indulge in the use of it, but take care to safeguard themselves by having amber mouthpieces to their pipes.

TWINKLINGS.

— Tell me, Colonel, why do you have so many lynchings in the South?" "I reckon, suh, it's because so few of the scoundrels manage to escape.

— "Never did have any luck," complained Si Engrone. "I'm always left out in the cold." "Never mind," replied Job Scumfiter, "you won't be in the next world."

— Mrs. Schoppen—Give me a dozen stamps, if you please. Post-office Clerk—Yes'm. Two cent? Mrs. Schoppen (absent mindedly) — Are they the best you've got?

— "Some of the young 'society folk' up our way gave the Dumleys a very remarkable surprise party the other evening." "What was so remarkable about it?" "It was really a surprise."

— They Will Do It—"The young gentleman is now in the drawing room waiting for you, miss." "Very well, Eloise. Go tell him I will be down right away. And come back in about half an hour and fix my hair."—*Life.*

— Kindly Advice.—"He called me an idict, and I believe I'll just make him prove it," said the excited citizen. "Tut, tut!" advised the man who is always saying what he does not mean to. "Why not let well enough alone?"—*Indianapolis Press.*

— He Can Flatter.—"Why do you think he will be a success in life? Has he such remarkable ability?" "Only in one way." "What is that?" "When he feels like it he can put on an air of respectful admiration that will make you think you are the greatest man that ever happened."—*Chicago Evening Post.*

— The total value of imports into the Philippines for the last fiscal year, according to the Treasury Bureau of Statistics, amounted to $23,039,587—the largest since 1880. Of these imports the share of the United States was $1 656,469—"more than ten times greater than the annual average from 1892 to 1896." This increase for the United States represents just about what is sent to the Philippines for supplies of the soldiers that are outthe army rations. So much for the trade that follows the flag.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—			
1¾ Jute			6½
Standard			6½
Burlaps			6
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams	10	@	10½
Sides		@	8½
Shoulders	9½	@	9
DRY SALTED—			
Sides	7½	@	8
Shoulders	7½	@	7¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 40	@	1 45
Second-hand machine		@	1 45
New New York, each		@	1 45
New City, each		@	1 45
BRICKS—			
Wilmington	7 00	@	7 50
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina	20	@	25
Northern	25	@	28
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	52	@	53
Virginia Meal	53	@	53
COTTON TIES— bundle		@	1 35
CANDLES—			
Sperm	18	@	26
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—			
Northern Factory	13	@	14
Dairy Cream	13½	@	14
Half cream	12½	@	13
COFFEE—			
Laguyra	11	@	13½
Rio	8	@	9
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, yard		@	5¼
Yarns, bunch of 5 lbs		@	70
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, barrel	28 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2, half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, barrel	3 50	@	3 75
Mullets, pork barrel	7 00	@	7 50
N. C. Roe Herring, keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod	5	@	10
Extra	4 25	@	4 50
FLOUR—			
Low grade	3 25	@	3 50
Choice		@	3 75
Straight		@	4 00
First Patent	4 50	@	4 75
GLUE—	9	@	10
GRAIN— bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	59	@	60
Mixed Corn	56	@	57
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	57
Oats, from store	36	@	37½
Oats, Rust Proof		@	40
Cow Peas	90	@	1 00
HIDES—			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint	12½	@	13
Dry salt	9	@	10
HAY—			
No 1 Timothy	95	@	1 00
Rice Straw	40	@	50
Eastern	90	@	95
Western	90	@	95
North River		@	90
HOOP IRON	2½	@	2½
LARD—			
Northern	6	@	6½
North Carolina	9	@	10
LIME— barrel	1 15	@	1 20
LUMBER (city sawed)—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	15 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES— gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	30
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28	@	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	28	@	32
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	25
NAILS— keg, Cut, 60d basis		@	2 35
PORK— barrel—			
City Mess		@	15 00
Rump		@	14 50
Prime		@	14 50
SALT— sack, Alum	11	@	1 25
Liverpool	90	@	95
American	90	@	95
On Ice		@	60
SUGAR— Standard Gran'd	5½	@	5½
Standard A		@	5½
White Extra C		@	5¼
Extra C, Golden		@	5
C Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP— Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES— W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER— M feet—Shipping	8 00	@	9 00
Common mill	4 00	@	5 00
Fair mill	6 00	@	7 50
Prime mill	7 50	@	8 50
Extra mill	8 50	@	9 50
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed			
M 6x24 heart	4 25	@	5 00
Sap	3 00	@	3 25
5x20 Heart	2 25	@	2 50
Sap	1 50	@	1 75
WHISKEY, gallon Northern	1 00	@	1 10

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A Letter From the Executive Office of Oregon.

The Governor of Oregon is an ardent admirer of Pe-ru-na. He keeps it continually in the house. In a recent letter to Dr. Hartman he says:

STATE OF OREGON,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
SALEM, May 9, 1898.

The Pe-ru-na Medicine Co., Columbus, O.:

Dear Sirs:—I have had occasion to use your Pe-ru-na medicine in my family for colds, and it proved to be an excellent remedy. I have not had occasion to use it for other ailments.

Yours very truly, W. M. Lord.

Any man who wishes perfect health must be entirely free from catarrh. Catarrh is well-nigh universal; almost omnipresent. Pe-ru-na is the only absolute safeguard known. A cold is the beginning of catarrh. To prevent colds, to cure colds, is to cheat catarrh out of its victims. Pe-ru-na not only cures catarrh, but prevents. Every household should be supplied with this great remedy for coughs, colds and so forth.

It will be noticed that the Governor says he has not had occasion to use Pe-ru-na for other ailments. The reason for this is, most other ailments begin with a cold. Using Pe-ru-na to promptly cure colds, he protects his family against other ailments. This is exactly what every other family in the United States should do. Keep Pe-ru-na in the house. Use it for coughs, colds, la grippe, and other climatic affections of winter, and there will be no other ailments in the house. Such families should provide themselves with a copy of Dr. Hartman's free book, entitled "Winter Catarrh." Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, Febuary 6.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market steady at $1.20 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market steady at $1.30 per barrel for hard, $2.30 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year. Spirits turpentine firm at 54@53½c; rosin firm at $1.35@1.40; tar firm at $1.80; crude turpentine firm at $2.00@$3.25.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	57
Rosin	491
Tar	712
Crude turpentine	29

Receipts same day last year.—23 casks spirits turpentine, 1,082 bbls rosin, 189 bbls tar, 5 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9 5 16c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6¾	cts
Good ordinary	6¾	" "
Low middling	8¾	" "
Middling	9 5-16	" "
Good middling	9¾	" "

Same day last year middling firm at 7¾c.

Receipts—376 bales; same day last year, 461.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 75c; extra prime, 80c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 86c. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 66c; Spanish, 80c.

CORN—Firm; 58 to 60 cents per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—steady; hams 13 to 15c per pound; shoulders, 8 to 10c; sides, 8 to 10c.

EGGS—Dull at 12 to 12½ cents per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 12½@25 cents; springs, 10@17 cts.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25 cents.

TALLOW—Firm at 5¼@6½ cents per pound.

TURKEYS—Live, dull at 8 to 8½c; dressed, 10 to 11c.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60c.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Money on call rather steadier at 2@3 per cent., last loan being at 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@4 per cent. Sterling exchange easier, with actual business in bankers' bills at 488@488¼ for demand and 484½@484¾ for sixty days. Posted rates were 485@485½ and 489. Commercial bills 484@484½. Silver certificates 61¼@63. Bar silver 61. Mexican dollars 47½. Government bonds weak. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds strong. U. S. refunding 2's reg'd, 105¼; U. S. refund'g 2's, coupon, 105¼; U. S. 3's, reg'd, —; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 110¾; do. coupon, 110¾; U. S. 4's, new reg'd, 137½; do. coupon, 137¾; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 113½; do. coupon, 113½; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 110½; do. coupon, 110¾; Southern R'y 5's 116. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 93; Chesapeake & Ohio 41; Manhattan L 119¼; N. Y. Central 145¾; Reading 34½; do. 1st pref'd 76¾; St. Paul, 153¾; do. pref'd, 1 91; Southern Railway 24½; pref'd 77¾; American Tobacco, 117¾; do. pref'd 140; People's Gas 101¾; Sugar 137; do. pref'd 119; T. C. & Iron 66¾; U. S. Leather 13½; do. preferred 75½; Western Union 83¾. Standard Oil 816½@818.

BALTIMORE, February 6.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 10½@10¾; do. preferred 25¼@25½. Bonds—4's 68¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Rosin quiet Strained common to good $1 65. Spirits turpentine dull at 40@40½c.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 6.—Spirits turpentine steady at 36½c; sales — casks Rosin firm and unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 6.—Spirits turpentine firm at 37c; sales 362 casks; receipts 398 casks; exports 309 casks. Rosin firm; E, F, G and H 10c up; D and below 5c up; sales 2,509 barrels; receipts 4,322 barrels; exports 1,560 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 6.—The cotton market reacted to-day and the most confident bears of yesterday were the most urgent buyers to day, while frightened holders of yesterday were the chief supporters of the market all through the session. The cables were slightly better, but speculative support was lacking and sentiment on the opening was very much mixed. Receipts continued light, but this factor had been discounted, as had a bullish ruling of statistics in the main. The market opened steady with prices two points higher to one lower. The initial figures proved to be about the lowest of the day, as a spurt of general buying led by pit shorts carried values up five to seven points above yesterday's closing, after which there was no striking reaction. Rumors that Southern spot holders were demanding better prices and that the cotton now held in New York warehouses would probably be gradually absorbed by export interests and Northern spinners had a reassuring effect on bulls. Trading was inclined to drag much of the session and still appeared to consist chiefly of professional interchanges. New Orleans and certain Wall street interests, however, were soon seen to be buying on all the easier points. At the close the market was quiet and steady, with prices net two to nine points higher.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Cotton dull; middling uplands 9¼c.

Futures closed quiet and steady: February 9 31, March 9.24, April 9 20, May 9.23, June 9.19, July 9.19, August 8 84, September 8.45, October 8 18, November 8.04, December 7 98.

Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands 9¼c; middling gulf 10c; sales 50 bales.

Net receipts 1,301 bales; gross receipts 10,310 bales; exports to the Continent 1,787 bales; stock 152,309 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 25,524 bales; exports to France 400 bales; exports to the Continent 6,240 bales; stock 931,698 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 101,699 bales; exports to Great Britain 28,395 bales; exports to France 7,619 bales; exports to the Continent 17,293 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,433 288 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,030,244 bales; exports to France 489,399 bales; exports to the Continent 1,488,408 bales.

February 6—Galveston, steady at 9¼c, net receipts 6,233 bales; Norfolk, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 698 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9¾c, net receipts — bales; Boston, dull at 9¼c, net receipts 1,051 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9 7-16c, net receipts 376 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 10c, net receipts 80 bales; Savannah, firm at 9¾c, net receipts 4,082 bales; New Orleans, steady at 9¼c, net receipts 9,601 bales; Mobile, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 681 bales; Memphis, steady at 9½c, net receipts 1,428 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 381 bales; Charleston, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 121 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 6.—Flour quiet and weak, buyers and sellers remaining 5@15c apart. Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red 80½c f. o. b. afloat; options opened easy and later were weak under liquidation, bearish Liverpool cables, small seaboard clearances, foreign selling and a liberal increase in the world's stock. On the decline exporters bought freely and caused a final slight rally, the market closing steady at a partial ½c net decline: Sales included; No. 2 red March closed 79c; May closed 79¼c; July closed 79¼c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 48c at elevator and 46c f. o. b afloat; options developed weakness through liquidation, lower cables, fine weather West, light clearances and sympathy with wheat. Closed easy at ¾@⅞c net decline: May closed 44¾c; July closed 43¼c. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2 30½c; options quiet and easier. Lard steady; Western steam $7 75; refined quiet; continent $7 90. Butter firm; fresh creamery 16@22c; factory 11@14½c. Eggs firm; State and Pennsylvania at mark 22c; Southern at mark 20@21c. Pork dull. Tallow easy. Cheese firm; fancy large, fall made 11¼@11½; small fancy, fall made 11¾@12c. Potatoes quiet; Jersey $1 25@1 75; New York $1 50@1 75; Long Island $1 50@1 87½; Jersey sweets $1 75@2 50. Petroleum firm. Rice firm. Molasses steady. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 16c. Peanuts steady. Cotton seed oil easy and lower, except for off yellow which has been in demand on the same basis as prime, suggesting smaller stocks South than expected: Prime crude, in barrels, 27½c, nominal; prime summer yellow 30@30½c; off summer yellow 30@30½c; prime white 34@35c; prime winter yellow 35@36; prime meal $25. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 6¾c, nominal; mild quiet; Cordova 8@12½c. Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 3¾c; centrifugal, 96 test 4¾c; molasses sugar 3½; refined steady.

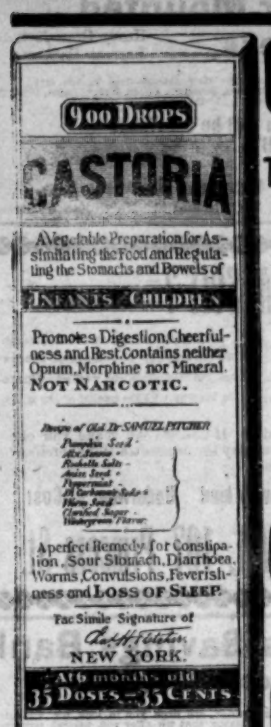
CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—News of heavy export engagements rescued wheat from the bog into which the market fell early, May closing firm and unchanged. Corn closed ⅛c and oats ⅛c lower, while provisions recorded a trifling gain at the close.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—Cash quotations: Flour—Market dull. Wheat—No. 2 —; No. 3 spring 65@72c; No. 2 red 74@75c. Corn—No. 2, 37¼@37½ Oats No. 2 25¼@25½c; No. 2 white 27¼@27½c; No. 3 white 27@27¼c. Pork per barrel, $13 80@13 85. Lard per 100 lbs, $7 37½@7 40 Short rib sides, loose, $6 85@7 10. Dry salted shoulders, $6 25@6 50. Short clear sides, boxed $7 15@7 25. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 February 72¾, 73¾, 72¼, 72¾c; March 73¾, 73¾@73¾, 72¾, 73¼@73½; May 74½@74¾, 74¾, 74¾, 74¾. Corn—February 37, 37, 36¾, 36¾; March 37½, 37¾, 37¼, 37c; May 39@39½, 39½, 38½@38⅝, 38¼c. Oats—February 24¾, 24¾, 24¾, 24¼c; May 25¼@25¾, 25¼@25¾, 25¼@25¼, 25¼. Pork, per bbl—February $13 80; May $13 95, $14 00, 13 90, 14 00. Lard, per 100 lbs—February $7 40; March $7 42½; May $7 45, 7 50, 7 45, 7 50. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—February $6 90; May $6 95, 7 02½, 6 95, 7 02½.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the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Friendship's Trials.

"Am I going to the wedding? Certainly not," snapped the pretty girl in blue. "I'd like to see myself there! You thought we were friends? Oh, yes, we're friends. I'd like to scratch her eyes out, the deceitful thing! How did it start? How did what start? If her young man wished to call on me, there was no law against it, was there? If he got in the habit of calling here every day in the week and twice on Sundays, it wasn't my business to turn him over to the police, was it? I wish I had, though, as he was an awful bore and so persistent that I never got a chance to go anywhere or see any one.

"And all the while that deceitful thing pretended to be crying her eyes out at the desertion of her young man into my camp. If I had not thought that that young man's presence here was making her awfully mad, he would have got his walking papers long ago. But I endured him because I thought that she cared everything for him and could not live without him.

"And to think that she simply turned him over to me to get rid of him as well as me while she landed the eligible young man with the bank account who recently arrived in the city! And I never knew that he was here until it was too late! And we were such dear friends too!"—Detroit Free Press.

Sparing of Her Remedy.

There is at least one woman in Kenwood who believes thoroughly in the efficiency of prayer. About a year ago her husband engaged in a business venture that looked rather uncertain. But his wife had strong faith that it would turn out well.

"Go ahead, John," she said, "and let us put our trust in the Lord. I pray every night that we may have no reason to regret the risk we are taking."

The affair seemed to turn out pretty well right from the start. Handsome dividends were paid all through the summer and during the winter, and great joy was in the home of this man and the sharer of his fortunes.

But there came a turn about a month ago. The business ceased to pay, and since then the losses have been increasing every day. Nothing was said about it at the fireside around which so much happiness had centered during the last year until the other day, when it was suggested by the worried husband that it would be well to cut down expenses. Questions followed, as a matter of course, and then it had to be confessed that the business was not going well.

"Dear me!" exclaimed the distressed woman when all the truth had been revealed to her. "I must begin praying again tonight!"—Chicago Times-Herald.

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THE SPORTING WORLD.

By twice running 100 yards in 9 4-5 seconds at the Washington Y. M. C. A. athletic games the other day Bernard J. Wefers proved that he is still in the front rank among sprinters. Last year Wefers trained, but could not get into

BERNARD J. WEFERS.

form owing to an illness he had gone through. He is now rounding into superb form under Trainer Foley of Georgetown university, for the purpose of participating in the Olympic games at Paris this summer.

A Wonderful Ball Player.

Powers, the former Notre Dame boy who caught for the Louisville Colonels last season and who is now a member of the Indianapolis Hoosiers, talks as follows of Sockalexis, the Indian, whose career in the big league was under Tebeau in Cleveland:

"It was in 1899," said Powers, "that I first saw Sockalexis. I was at Poland Springs, Me., at a summer resort. We had an amateur team there. In camp close to the springs was the family of Sockalexis. The latter at that time had never seen a baseball, so far as I know. He was nothing but a rough and tumble Indian. He watched us play one day and manifested a great deal of interest. I showed him how the game was played, and he acquired a great deal of proficiency that first season. The next year I was at Poland Springs again, and this season Sockalexis became such a star that I took him back to Holy Cross college with me. He was the greatest college player in the east that year. He would have played with the Notre Dame (Ind.) team next year, but shortly after reporting at Notre Dame Tebeau, manager of the Cleveland National league team, had his attention called to him and signed him. Every one knows what a record he made his first year in the National league. He was an eighth wonder of the world. Every one knows, too, how a love for 'fire water' put him out of the business almost before he had got started. He was the most beautiful specimen of physical strength I ever saw. Stripped he looked like a bronze statue, and I saw him throw a baseball 408 feet twice in succession."

Invitation From Prague For U. of P.

President Geyelin of the University of Pennsylvania A. A. has received an invitation to the team which is going to Paris to compete at the international games at Prague on July 1. President Wreach of the Athletic Club Sparta, who sent the invitation, says: :

"The prizes of our athletic meetings for championships are brilliant and excel in their fine execution. We give every year, in addition for championship prizes of honor, the presents of distinguished persons. Allow us to remember especially your member, Mr. Kraenzlein, who in competition with us would surely win the victory and the Austrian championship in the 100 yard run and the hurdle run and thereby carry home an excellent memory of his European journey. We assure you that we will endeavor in everything to render your visit to our town as agreeable as possible."

Pat O'Dea to Coach.

Pat O'Dea, Wisconsin's great kicker, was at Notre Dame recently, and there is a rumor that the Australian will secure the appointment of football coach in Father Morrisey's institution. O'Dea has been the mainstay of the Badger team for the last four years, and Coach King has introduced a system in Wisconsin which was built around O'Dea as the principal factor. While his great ability as a punter and drop kicker has always called out the profound admiration of the public, there has been a doubt as to his all round qualities as a football player. His ability as a coach has not been proved, and the Kangaroo punter will have a chance to show what he can do with the material in Notre Dame.

Accident Insurance For L. A. W. Members.

The national executive committee of the League of American Wheelmen has made arrangements with one of the strongest insurance companies in the United States whereby league members will secure one of their strongest benefits. They have provided for an accident insurance policy, covering cycling accidents, which will be issued exclusively to L. A. W. members and which will pay an indemnity of $1,000 in case of death and $5 per week for five weeks for disability. These policies will be issued by Secretary Bassett of the L. A. W., Boston, upon receipt of 30 cents, and applications may be sent in at once.

Tolstoi's Sense of Honor.

At one music party at Count Tolstoi's a lady's singing displeased the count's boys, and they adjourned to another room and made a noise. Their father lost patience and went after them, and a characteristic admonition ensued.

"Are you making a noise on purpose?" he asked.

After some hesitation came an answer in the affirmative, "Y-y-yes."

"Does not her singing please you?"

"Well, no. Why does she howl?" declared one of the boys, with vexation.

"So you wish to protest against her singing?" asked Lyeff Nikolaevitch in a serious tone.

"Yes."

"Then go out and say so or stand in the middle of the room and tell every one present. That would be rude, but upright and honest. But you have got together and are squealing like grasshoppers in a corner. I will not endure such protests."—Newcastle (England) Chronicle.

Would Draw a Crowd.

A singer named Gordon once complained to Handel of the style of his accompaniments, which attracted the attention from the singer, saying that if he did not accompany him better he would jump upon the harpsichord and destroy it.

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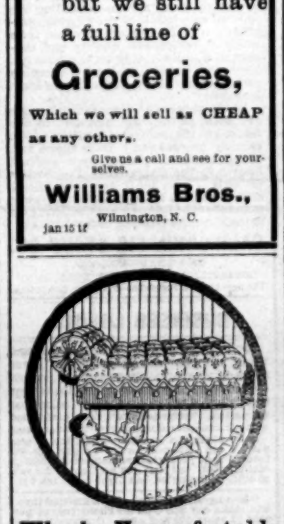

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Sloths and Bats Suspend Themselves Without Exertion.

There is one animal which lives entirely in trees, but is able to maintain its position during slumber without the least exercise of muscular force. This is the sloth, common in the forests of tropical America. Its long claws are so bent that they hook over the branches and allow the creature to hang upside down like an animated hammock. Curiously enough, the hammock appears to be a South American invention and is universally employed by all the Indian tribes of the Amazons. Perhaps the primitive human dwellers in this region took to sleeping in hammocks after observing the habits of the sloth.

The great ant eater, which is both a kinsman and fellow countryman of the sloth, has an enormous tail, which it uses in a very remarkable manner. I recently saw two of these strange animals lying together asleep, and they had arranged their tails so cleverly that their whole bodies were hidden from view. Moreover, it was evident that this caudal covering would afford excellent protection from the weather, for the central solid part of the tails acted as a kind of ridge pole over the highest part of the sleepers' bodies, so that the long fringes of hair sloped downward on each side like the thatch upon a roof.

Like the sloths, many kinds of bats sleep suspended by their hooked claws without any muscular exertion whatever. Some of the large fruit eating bats of the tropics, which do not sleep in holes like the species common in southern latitudes, but which hang suspended to the branches of trees in the open air, adopt a position which it would be difficult to beat for economy and comfort. Gould's fruit eating bat, common in the warmer parts of Australia, suspends itself upside down by one hind foot and wraps its body in the tentlike folds of its wing membranes, which extend right down to the ankles. Its shoulders, to which the membrane is attached, are humped up so as to act as eaves to shoot off the rain, and when asleep it draws its head under their shelter and nestles its nose among the warm fur of its chest.

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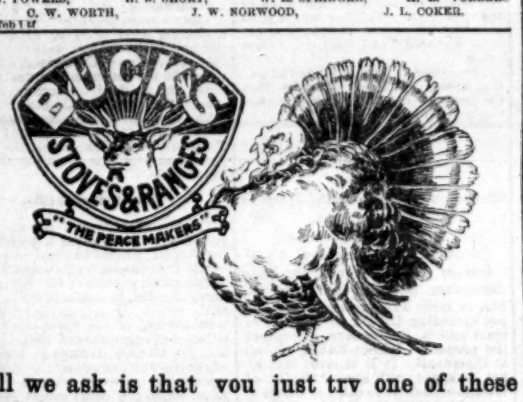

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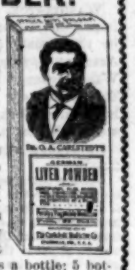

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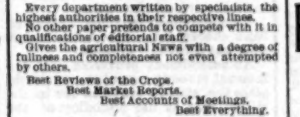

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TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

DATED Jan. 13th, 1901. (Corrected.)	No. 32 Daily	No. 22 Daily	No. 148 Daily ex. Sunday	No. 41 Daily	No. 40. Daily.
	A. M.	P. M	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Leave Weldon	11 50	8 58	.....	.....	.....
Ar. Rocky Mt	1 04	9 22	.....	.....	.....
	P. M				
Leave Tarboro	12 21	.....	6 00	.....	.....
Lv. Rocky Mt	1 05	10 00	6 37	5 15	12 18
Leave Wilson	1 59	10 46	7 16	5 57	1 00
Leave Selma	2 55	11 18	.....	.....	.....
Ar. Fayetteville	4 30	12 3	.....	.....	.....
Ar. Florence	7 35	3 40	.....	.....	.....
	P. M.	A. M.			
Ar. Goldsboro	.....	.....	7 50	.....	.....
Lv. Goldsboro	.....	.....	.....	6 45	3 30
Lv. Magnolia	.....	.....	.....	7 11	4 02
Ar. Wilmington	.....	.....	.....	9 9	6 40
				P. M.	P. M.

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

	No. 78. Daily.	No 108. Daily ex. Sunday	No. 34. Daily.	No. 45. Daily.	No. 43. Daily
	A. M.		P. M.		
Lv. Florence	9 10	.....	7 35	.....	.....
Lv. Fayetteville	12 15	.....	9 41	.....	.....
Leave Selma	1 50	.....	11 25	.....	.....
Arrive Wilson	2 35	.....	12 15	.....	.....
		A. M		P. M.	A. M.
Lv. Wilmington	.....	.....	.....	7 00	9 31
Lv. Magnolia	.....	.....	.....	8 30	11 10
Lv. Goldsboro	.....	4 50	.....	9 27	12 05
	P. M		A. M	P. M	P. M.
Leave Wilson	2 35	5 33	12 15	10 45	1 18
ar. Rocky Mt	3 39	6 10	12 45	11 23	1 53
Arrive Tarboro	.....	6 45	.....	.....	.....
Leave Tarboro	2 31	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lv. Rocky Mt	3 33	.....	12 46	.....	.....
Ar. Weldon	4 33	.....	1 19	.....	.....
	P. M.		A. M	P. M	

Yadkin Division Main Line—Train leaves Wilmington 9.00 A. M., arrives Fayetteville 12.05 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M. Returning leaves Sanford 3.45 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.20 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.30 P. M., arrives Wilmington 9.25 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.05 A. M. Maxton 9.05 A. M., Red Springs 9.51 A. M., Parkton 10.41 A. M., Hope Mills 10.55 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.45 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.16 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 5.55 P. M., Halifax 6.17 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 6.58 P. M., Greenville 8.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.50 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.13 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 5.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.25 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Pittsmouth 7.40 P. M. and 5.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, daily except Sunday, 5.09 A. M.; arriving Smithfield, N. C., 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 8.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.30 A. M., 4.05 P. M., Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M., 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 P. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

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Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 30	Kinston	10 19	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	9 27	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City	7 52	7 52
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 4.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 5 comes in with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.50 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 5.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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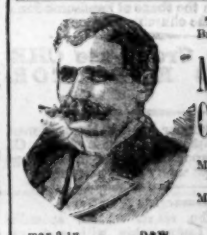

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THURSDAY MORNING, FEB 7.

MRS. NATION'S CRUSADE.

Plans for Future Action—Topeka's Joints Were Closed Yesterday But Reopened Last Night

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TOPEKA, Kas., February 6.—Topeka joints were closed to-day, aside from a few side doors, and the keepers have promised to city and county officials that they will get rid of their stocks of liquors. But to-night they are as wide open as ever.

Chief of Police Stahl and Sheriff Cook had gone from place to place last night warning the jointists that they must close their places and keep them closed, and all gave their word that they would sell no more liquor.

Mrs. Nation announces that she has plans for future action that will make the jointists remember that she is still in the city, but she does not divulge them. Mrs. Nation spent to-day in visiting the different jails of the city, in praying and talking with the inmates. Some of them sobbed while she shouted to them to live better lives, and many of them promised that in the future they would not drink liquor.

The Home Defenders, which is the organization formed by Mrs. Nation, held a secret meeting to day to which no one but members with the pass word were admitted.

PETROLEUM CONFLAGRATION.

Fire at Baku, Russia—Great Loss of Life and Widespread Damage—Twenty Charred Bodies Found

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BAKU, RUSSIAN TRANS CACAUSIA, February 6.—A fire broke out yesterday in the magazines of the Caspian and Black Sea Company, which contained 6,000,000 pounds of petroleum. The conflagration resulted in great loss of life and widespread damage. The flames spread to other depots, having a capacity of 12,000,000 pounds of naptha, which poured out like a stream of lava, inundating and setting fire to the dwellings of the workmen which were totally destroyed. Many persons perished. Twenty charred bodies have been found, and upwards of fifty people are terribly burned. Four hundred families lost everything they possessed. The magazines are still burning and neighboring reservoirs are in great danger. A general panic prevails.

Eight naptha springs belonging to the Melikoff, Raski and Caspian companies caught fire February 3rd.

IN PORTUGUESE TERRITORY.

The Boer Invasion—British Guarding the Delagoa Bay Railway.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, February 7.—The *Daily Mail* has the following from its Lisbon correspondent:

"The King of Portugal is staying a few days longer in London than he originally intended, at the express wish of King Edward. His visit is likely to have important developments. The Portuguese section of the Delagoa Bay railway is now in British hands, but this is merely a temporary arrangement between the governments."

Commenting upon the situation at Delagoa bay and the evidence that the Boers have penetrated twenty three miles into Portuguese territory, the *Daily Mail* expresses a belief that British troops are now guarding the Delagoa railway down to the sea and that it will be possible to send troops by the Delagoa route. It argues, therefore, that Great Britain gains by the Boer move.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Prof. Fessenden Erecting Stations at Roanoke Island and Hatteras.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 6.—Professor Fessenden, the wireless telegraphy expert, assisted by Professors Thiessen and Hesse, has completed erecting their station at Roanoke Island, and left for Hatteras, where they will erect a similar station. When the latter has been completed Professor Fessenden will demonstrate the method of his system of wireless telegraphy. Scientific men all over the country are anxious to learn the method of Professor Fessenden's system, and are taking much interest in his movements.

ABOUT THE MARY T. QUINBY.

Officers of Schooner Handsomely Entertained Lutheran Pastor at Gretna, La.

The Jefferson *Democrat*, of Gretna, La., has the following item concern Capt. Ary and other officers of the schooner *Mary. T. Quinby*, which is now discharging her cargo as this port:

The four-masted schooner *Mary T. Quinby*. Captain E. W. Ary, master, which has been taking a cargo of 5,600 barrels of molasses at Healy's wharf, part of it consigned to New York city, left Monday for its destination, Wilmington, N. C. Rev. Oscar Goelxand family were honored guests of the captain Sunday and were pleasantly entertained aboard ship by the genial commander, assisted by Steward J. E. Brown and Engineer Max Gitzes. Upon leave taking the mutual hope was expressed that some day they would meet again. Salem Lutheran congregation has every reason to wish these gentlemen Godspeed in their future career for their kind remembrance in the shape of handsome donations to the church exchequer.

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THE WAR REVENUE REDUCTION BILL.

Important Amendments to the Measure Adopted by the Senate.

THE SHIPPING SUBSIDY BILL.

Senator Jones Denounces the Subsidy Measure and the Attempt to Cause Appropriation Bills to Fail to Force an Extra Session.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 6.—Two important measures were disposed of by the Senate to-day, the Military Academy Appropriation bill and the War Revenue Reduction measure. The former was under consideration less than an hour. The only change made in it was the strengthening of the provision against hazing at West Point.

During the remainder of the afternoon session the War Revenue Reduction bill was before the Senate. A determined but unsuccessful effort was made to reduce the tax on bank checks and to provide that telegraph and express companies should bear the burden of the tax on messages and packages sent. The Finance Committee's amendment levying a tax on transactions in so called "bucketshops," modifying the tax on cigars and cigarettes and providing for a rebate on unbroken packages of tobacco, in addition to several others of a minor character, were adopted.

An amendment substituting an income tax for the war revenue measure, offered by Mr. Morgan, Alabama, was rejected by a party vote of 21 to 38.

Senator Aldrich, Rhode Island, called up the war revenue reduction bill, and it was read.

The first amendment added to the words "promissory notes" (providing for the repeal of the stamp tax on such instruments) the words "and any renewals thereof."

The second modified the paragraph removing the stamp tax on bonds, making it read as follows: "Bonds of every description, not including, however, the bonds provided for in the first paragraph of Schedule A of said Act, or bonds for indemnifying any person or persons, firm or corporation who shall have become bound or engaged as surety for the payment of any sum of money or for the due execution or performance of the duties of any office or position, to account for money received by virtue thereof."

The amendments were agreed to.

The next amendment, including "perfumery and cosmetics" in the section providing a penalty for failure to affix stamps to medicinal and proprietary preparations. It was agreed to.

Other amendments were offered and agreed to as follows: Providing for a rebate upon unbroken packages of cigars and tobacco, authorizing the cancellation of stamps on fermented liquors by perforation, reducing by one half the tax upon foreign bills of exchange, for the appointment of a competent person to secure the enforcement of the tax imposed upon legacies and distributive shares of personal property; providing that the purchaser of an uncompounded medicinal drug upon which the tax already has been paid shall not be required to pay further tax.

The amendment of the committee fixing the tax upon transactions in stocks through so-called "bucket shops" was agreed to with an amendment offered by Senator Mason providing for a tax of two cents (instead of one cent) "on each one hundred dollars in value of the merchandise covered or pretended to be covered."

Senator Aldrich explained that the reduction of the revenue made by the bill would amount to $39,800,000, exclusive of the effect of the new amendment for taxing "bucket shops." If each of the 25,000 bucket shops in the United States should pay $400 the government would derive $10,000,000 from that source.

An amendment was agreed to providing that the tax on new banks shall be computed from the time the institutions begin business.

An amendment reducing the tax on bank checks from two cents to one cent was defeated—18 to 42.

An amendment providing that the internal revenue commissioner should place the stamps provided for in the bill on sale at the postoffices of the country was agreed to,

Senator Jones, Arkansas, moved to eliminate from the bill the proposed exemption from tax of telegraph and telephone messages. The motion was rejected—15 to 35.

Senator Morgan, Alabama, offered as an amendment to the measure his proposition for an income tax, beginning the first of next July and running for twenty years. The amendment placed a tax of 2 per cent. upon all incomes above $4,000 a year. The amendment was in the form of a substitute for the pending bill and for the war revenue law now in force. The amendment was voted down—21 to 38. The vote was strictly on party lines.

The bill was then passed without division.

Senator Aldrich then moved that a recess be taken until 8 o'clock.

When the Senate reconvened at 8 o'clock, Senator Jones, Arkansas, remarked: "By actual count there are just twelve Republican Senators present. I suggest the absence of a quorum."

Senator Frye demanded that the roll of absent members be called, and other Senators entered, including Senator Hanna, who had risen from a sick bed. Finally the chair announced that a quorum was present.

Senator Frye then called up the Shipping bill and it was laid before the Senate.

Senator Jones declared that the night sessions involved a deliberate purpose to break down opposition Senators physically and prevent the passage of the appropriation bills. The Shipping bill, he asserted, was the most perfectly detestable measure presented to the Senate for years, and was part of a great scheme to place all the independent facilities under one control.

"So help high heaven," he shouted, "if you will have night sessions you must have a quorum all the time, as we do not propose to contribute in any way to a tyrannical effort to suppress free speech by brutal force.

Senator Aldrich, Rhode Island, replied that no appropriation bills were pending. All that was asked, he said, was that after full and free discussion a vote be taken. The threat of the Senator from Arkansas is that for the first time in our history the minority proposes to kill a bill by filibustering.

Senator Teller, Colorado, entered his protest against holding night sessions to consider a bill "to loot the treasury for the benefit of a few ship owners." He would be willing, he said, to attend night sessions or long day sessions to consider legislation for the Philippines. It might be necessary, too, to take some action with reference to Cuba, and in that connection he had heard, he said, "rumblings that the plighted faith of this government as to Cuba was to be abandoned."

Senator Jones declared the Republican majority does not dare to have the President call an extra session to pass the Ship Subsidy bill. "If, however," he said, "you can cause appropriation bills to fail, the President will call Congress into extraordinary session, and then the Subsidy bill can be passed."

House of Representatives.

Debate on the Postoffice Appropriation bill consumed another day in the House. Chairman Loud, of the Post office Committee, who was a member of the postal commission, discussed the subjects investigated by it. The remainder of the time was occupied in debate upon three subjects—pneumatic tube service, special mail facilities and railway mail pay. Mr. Burke, Texas, and Mr. Williams, Mississippi, opposed the appropriation for special mail facilities to the South. Mr. Swanson, Virginia, defended the appropriation, and Mr. Cowherd, Missouri, championed the special facilities between Kansas City and Newton, Ks.

It was agreed before adjournment to-day that debate should close to-morrow at 12.30 P. M., when the votes should be taken upon the several amendments which are pending.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS

Protest Against the Invitation to President McKinley to Attend the Reunion at Memphis, Tenn.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., February 6.—The Confederate Veterans Association of Savannah last night passed resolutions against the invitation to President McKinley to attend the reunion of Confederate Veterans in Memphis. All the resolutions recite that the association entertains profound respect for President McKinley and his exalted station, but, "believing his presence on this occasion, as the guest of the city of Memphis, is sought by a few of the citizens of Memphis to further their political aspirations, and is derogatory to our idea of the proper respect due to the President of this nation and contrary to the spirit of the U. C. V., partisan politics and all that tends to it being strictly forbidden in all meetings and reunions of the United Confederate Veterans' organization, the association calls upon General Gordon, commander-in-chief, to name some other city than Memphis as the place for the reunion, and says it not send delegates to Memphis if the invitation to the President is adhered to.

LYNCHING IN FLORIDA.

Two Negroes Shot to Death by a Mob in the Jail at Dade.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DADE, FLA., February 6.—William Wright and Sam Williams, negroes, charged with being implicated in the killing of Dan Childers and wounding of J. B. McNeilly, both white, at Rice and Phelps' camp on January 26th, were killed in the county jail by a mob of fifty or more men at a late hour last night. They first called on Sheriff Griffin and demanded of him the keys to the jail. The sheriff refused and stood firm through all the efforts to intimidate him. The lynching party then moved toward the jail and succeeded in breaking through the outer walls, but could not break through the steel cells. After exhausting every effort to do so they opened fire on the two prisoners from the outside, through the steel bars. Williams was almost instantly killed and Wright was fatally wounded and died in a few hours.

The coroner's jury at the investigation to-day returned a verdict that the two men had been killed by parties unknown to the jury.

JEFFRIES-RUHLIN.

Governor of Ohio May Call Out Troops to Prevent the Fight.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

COLUMBUS, O., February 6.—At Governor Nash's request, the State Emergency Board to day authorized him to incur any expense necessary, not exceeding $50,000, in the use of State militia, if necessary, to prevent the proposed Jeffries-Ruhlin contest at Cincinnati. It is believed that he has arranged with Sheriff Taylor, of Hamilton county, to call for troops if necessary to stop the fight.

WARM WIRELETS.

Secretary Hay has left Washington for a few days rest in a Virginia resort.

The Supreme Tribunal of the Knights of Pythias met yesterday in Indianapolis.

Negotiations are said to be in progress for the purchase of the Havana Commercial Company by the American Tobacco Company.

The New York *Mail and Express* and the *Evening Post* announce the sale of the Carnegie stock to the J. P. Morgan syndicate as an accomplished fact.

Mutiny is reported on board the Standard Oil Company's new four-masted ship Astral, which sailed Sunday for Shanghai, oil laden, and returned and anchored outside Sandy Hook bar Tuesday.

With approval of the Secretary of War, Surgeon General Sternberg has arranged for the immediate appointment of thirty contract dental surgeons for service in the army, in accordance with the provisions of the new army law

Lorenzo Proir, who murdered Vinseco Garaguze in New York city, December 11, 1898, was put to death in the electric chair at Sing Sing yesterday. He left with the priests a statement declaring his innocence and accusing his wife's brother of the crime.

A fresh outbreak of the plague is reported in Formosa. The Japan *Mail* says the Formosan government officially reports nine deaths in seven days since the renewal of the malady. Three fourths of those stricken with the disease do not recover.

Wilson, the negro charged with having attempted criminal assault on Mrs. Watkins, near Blackstone, Va., and who narrowly escaped lynching while taken through that town to Petersburg for safe keeping, will be tried at Nottoway court house to morrow.

A copy of "The History of the United States," issued by the Collier Company, of New York, under the authority of Edward S. Ellis, was burned in a coffin in front of the leading hotel of Forsyth, Ga., last night. Objection to the book lay in the fact that it included the words, "Rebel," "Rebellion" and "Insurgents."

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth, of LaGrange, Ga., suffered intensely for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg, but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in ten days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Burns, Boils, Pain or Piles it is the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist.

MINISTERS DEMAND DEATH PENALTY.

Meeting of Foreign Representatives and Chinese Plenipotentiaries in Pekin.

TWELVE OFFICIALS INDICTED.

Punishment Will Also Be Demanded of Persons Who Committed Crimes in Provinces--Emperor Objects to Death of Tung Fu Siang.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PEKIN, February 6.—At the meeting of the foreign ministers and Chinese plenipotentiaries to day, the entire proceedings were conducted orally, no writings being presented to the Chinese. A formal indictment against the twelve officials whose punishment had been demanded by the Powers was read, however, though Kang Yi and Li Ping Heng are dead. The officials whose punishment has been demanded are:

Prince Chuang, commander in chief of the Boxers, who had a large share in the responsibility for promises of rewards of fifty taels for the capture of foreigners and the death of persons protecting them.

Prince Tuan, the principal instigator of the troubles into which he dragged the Chinese government.

Duke Lan, vice president of the police, who was accessory to the giving of orders for the capture of foreigners, and was the first to open the gates of the city to the Boxers.

Ying Nien, criminal accomplice of Pring Chuang and Duke Lan in their machinations.

Kang Yi, one of the instigators and counsellors of the Boxers, who always protected them.

Chaos Su Kiam, a member of the grand council and also minister of justice, who was one of the leaders against the foreigners.

Yu Hsien, who reorganized the Boxers, was the cruel author of the massacres in the Shan Si province and assassinated with his own hand foreigners and missionaries.

General Tung Fuh Siang, with Prince Tuan who carried out in Pekin the plans against the foreigners and who commanded the attacks on the legations and the soldiers who assassinated the Japanese chancellor.

Li Ping Hong, who influenced recognition of the Boxers as loyal and patriotic men.

Hsu Tung, most hostile to foreigners, accomplice of the Boxers and tutor of the heir apparent.

Hau Cheng Yu, who has the same responsibility.

Kih Siu, the minister at the rites of service of the Boxers.

Others to be Punished.

The ministers then announced that these personages all deserved death. When this question is settled the foreign plenipotentiaries will have to indicate who, to their knowledge, committed crimes in the provinces, punishment for which will have to be inflicted.

They will also present to the Chinese, in order to prevent misunderstanding, the text of the edict referred to in article ten of the collective note, before its publication.

The ministers definitely decided, at a meeting held to-night, to demand the imposition of the death penalty upon all twelve of the Chinese officials named in the list submitted, including those who are dead, on account of the moral effect upon the Chinese.

The sentence on the living must be inflicted except in the cases of Prince Tuan and Duke Lan, which the Emperor may commute to banishment to Turkestan.

A Secret Imperial Edict.

The foreign ministers this morning gave out for publication a secret imperial edict, handed to them yesterday by the Chinese peace plenipotentiaries, which pleads especially for the life of Tung Fu Siang, commander in chief of the army. It says the only reason is on account of the turbulent population of the provinces of Shon Si and Kan Su, who are devoted to him and might rise and commit acts of violence against the missionaries and Christians, which the court would greatly deplore. Consequently, his punishment requires caution, deliberation and careful consideration. The Emperor, it is pointed out, even in the punishment of princes of the blood, has not been moved by motives for their protection. Why then should he do so in the case of Tung Fu Siang? What had already been done should be taken into consideration. His army had been reduced to five thousand men, with the object of lessening his power and with the ultimate object of his future punishment, which will be promulgated in an edict, the language of which will not be too patent. After the deprivation of his official rank, the Emperor will hereafter decide on a heavy punishment.

The ministers will meet again this morning.

NEWPORT NEWS OFFICIALS.

The Mayor and Others Indicted for Bribery and Corruption.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Feb. 6.—The grand jury to-day indicted Allen A. Moss, mayor; J. H. Hughes and Mark McLaughlin, councilmen; Samuel R. Register, of Richmond, attorney for the Newport News Railway and Electric Company; Philip Marlow, agent for a paving concern, and B. F. Smith, contractor, for bribery and corruption in connection with the awards of city contracts for street paving, bridge building and the construction of the city jail.

The searchlight turned on by the grand jury investigation revealed wholesale dishonesty in the disbursement of the city's funds during the past two years.

QUEEN WILHELMINA

Will Be Married To-day in the Palace at The Hague.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

THE HAGUE, February 6.—Fifty workmen's societies, with bands of music and five triumphal cars, marched past the palace this afternoon in honor of the approaching marriage of Queen Wilhelmina. The Queen and her future husband, Duke Henry, of Mecklenburg-Schuren, reviewed them.

The civil marriage will occur in the presence of the nearest relatives, in the palace, at 11.30 A. M. to-morrow. The royal party will proceed to the church in procession and after the religious marriage will return to the palace, where Queen Wilhelmina will hold court and receive congratulations. A gala luncheon will follow at 4 15 P. M. The couple will then depart on their honeymoon.

TO REINFORCE KITCHENER.

The British Government Will Send Thirty Thousand Mounted Men to South Africa.

By Cable to the Morning Star

LONDON, February 7.—The following announcement has been issued by the War Office:

"In view of the recent Boer activity in various directions, the government has decided, in addition to the large forces recently equipped locally in South Africa, to reinforce Lord Kitchener by thirty thousand mounted troops beyond those already landed in Cape Colony. Recruiting for the Imperial yeomanry has proceeded so rapidly that it is anticipated ten thousand will shortly be available.

"The remainder of the force will be made up of cavalry and mounted infantry from the home establishment. The enlistment of volunteers to replace those who have already served a year in South Africa is also being proceeded with. Arrangements have been made for the prompt equipment and transportation of the force. The first consignment will leave February 9th."

CAPE TOWN, February 6.—A party of Imperial yeomanry came into contact with the invaders near Prince Albert, Cape Colony, and an officer and some men are missing.

JOHANNESBURG, February 6.—The governor has issued a notice that on an alarm signal of three syren hoots from any mine, all civilians must immediately get in doors, wherever they may be at the time, and remain there until permission is given them to come out. The notice says that those disobeying are liable to be shot.

POSTOFFICE ROBBED.

The Postmistress Cruelly Tortured by the Robbers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TOLEDO, OHIO, February 6.—Burglars bound and gagged the postmistress at Rossford, a suburb of Toledo, at 3 o'clock this morning, and robbed the office of $150 in stamps and $5 in coin.

COLUMBUS, O., February 6.—A Toledo special says the robbers tortured the postmistress cruelly by applying lighted matches to her feet, finally compelling her to reveal the hiding place of the valuables. She was beaten over the head with a club and brutally kicked. It is now feared that she may die.

It is feared that a serious marine disaster has occurred off St. Johns. A quantity of wreckage, has drifted shore near Torbay, seven miles north of St Johns. It is believed that ship and crew have perished.

Notice was received at the Navy Department yesterday of the arrest at the Norfolk navy yard of W. H. Seabury and G. W. McDonald, two employes in the general storekeeper's office, on a charge of stealing government property to a considerable amount.

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620 bags Phosphate 10-2.
1,480 bags Dissolved Bone 13 per ct.
2,110 bags German Kainit 12 per ct.
160 bags Sulphate Potash.
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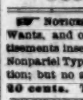

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